WEST VIRGINIA STATE		West Virginia State University Procurement Office PO Box 368 Institute, WV 25112	Request for Bid Bid # RFB-WVSU24001 Buyer: Jerry Rush		
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RFB DA	TE: 03/24/24	BID OPENING: 2:30 pm on April 9, 2024			
Item #	Quantity	Description	Unit Price	Extended Price	
		West Virginia State University is accepting bids for: The one-time purchase of high production printers inclusive of maintenance and consumables, for the University's Printing Services Department. Pursuant to the requirements and specifications on the following pages.			
Total In compliance with the above, the undersigned offers and agrees, if this offer is accepted within calendar days (30 calendar days unless a different period is inserted by the purchaser) from the bid open date, specified above, to furnish any or all items upon which prices are offered, at the price set opposite each item, delivered at the designated point(s), within the time specified.					
		Bidder's name Title Signature Street address City/State Date			

To receive consideration for award, the bid must be submitted on this form in Original and (1) copy, signed in full ink, and received by the WVSU purchasing department to have a date/time stamp affixed, on or before the date and time shown for the bid opening.

Bids are subject to the terms and conditions on the WV-96 form.

It is the policy of West Virginia State University to administer all university actions and procedures without regard to race, color, age, religion, sex, national origin, disability, veteran's status or sexual orientation as identified and defined by law. The university neither affiliates knowingly with nor grants recognition to any individual, group, or organization, including vendors that discriminate on the basis of any of the above. WVSU complies with the requirements of the nondiscrimination clauses set out by the Code of Federal Regulations Title 41, Parts 60-1.4(a)(7) (equal opportunity clause), 60-250.4(m) (affirmative action for veterans), and 60-741.4(f) (affirmative action for persons with disabilities).

INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDORS SUBMITTING BIDS

1. REVIEW DOCUMENTS THOROUGHLY: The attached documents contain a solicitation for bids. Please read these instructions and all documents attached in their entirety. These instructions provide critical information about requirements that if overlooked could lead to disqualification of a Vendor's bid. All bids must be submitted in accordance with the provisions contained in these instructions and the Solicitation. Failure to do so may result in disqualification of Vendor's bid.

2. MANDATORY TERMS: The Solicitation may contain mandatory provisions identified by the use of the words "must," "will," and "shall." Failure to comply with a mandatory term in the Solicitation will result in bid disqualification.

2A. PREBID MEETING: The item identified below shall apply to this Solicitation.

A pre-bid meeting will not be held prior to bid opening

A MANDATORY PRE-BID meeting will be held at the following place and time:

All Vendors submitting a bid must attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting. Failure to attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting shall result in disqualification of the Vendor's bid. No one individual is permitted to represent more than one vendor at the pre-bid meeting. Any individual that does attempt to represent two or more vendors will be required to select one vendor to which the individual's attendance will be attributed. The vendors not selected will be deemed to have not attended the pre-bid meeting unless another individual attended on their behalf. The required attribution of attendance to a single vendor should be addressed during the pre-bid but may occur at any time deemed appropriate by the Purchasing Division.

An attendance sheet provided at the pre-bid meeting shall serve as the official document verifying attendance. Any person attending the pre-bid meeting on behalf of a Vendor must list on the attendance sheet his or her name and the name of the Vendor he or she is representing.

Additionally, the person attending the pre-bid meeting should include the Vendor's E-Mail address, phone number, and Fax number on the attendance sheet. It is the Vendor's responsibility to locate the attendance sheet and provide the required information. Failure to complete the attendance sheet as required may result in disqualification of Vendor's bid.

All Vendors should arrive prior to the starting time for the pre-bid. Vendors who arrive after the starting time but prior to the end of the pre-bid will be permitted to sign in, but are charged with knowing all matters discussed at the pre-bid.

Questions submitted at least five business days prior to a scheduled pre-bid will be discussed at the pre-bid meeting if possible. Any discussions or answers to questions at the pre-bid meeting are preliminary in nature and are non-binding. Official and binding answers to questions will be published in a written addendum to the Solicitation prior to bid opening.

3. VENDOR QUESTION DEADLINE: Vendors may submit questions relating to this Solicitation to the University Contact. Questions must be submitted in writing. All questions must be submitted on or before the date listed below and to the address listed below to be considered. A written response will be published in a Solicitation addendum if a response is possible and appropriate. Non-written discussions, conversations, or questions and answers regarding this Solicitation are preliminary in nature and are nonbinding.

Submitted emails should have the solicitation number in the subject line.

Question Submission Deadline: 04/02/2024 at 10:00 A.M.

Submit Questions to: Jerry Rush Director of Purchasing-WVSU

Email:jerry.rush@wvstateu.edu

4. BID SUBMISSION: All bids must be submitted by the Vendor to the University on or before the date and time of the bid opening. Any bid received by the University staff is considered to be in the possession of the University and will not be returned for any reason.

4A. BID SUBMISSION:

BID OPENING DATE:04/09/2024 BID OPENING TIME: 2:30 PM

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL BIDS TO FOLLOWING LOCATION:

West Virginia State University Ferrell Hall/Room 301 Institute, WV 25112

A bid should contain the information listed below on the face of the envelope or the bid may be rejected by the Agency.

SEALED BID: BUYER: SOLICITATION NO.: BID OPENING DATE: BID OPENING TIME: FAX NUMBER: **5. ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** Changes or revisions to this Solicitation will be made by an official addendum issued by the Agency. Vendor should acknowledge receipt of all addenda issued with this Solicitation by completing an Addendum Acknowledgment Form, a copy of which is included herewith. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in bid disqualification. The addendum acknowledgement should be submitted with the bid to expedite document processing,

6. BID FORMATTING: Vendor should type or electronically enter the information onto its bid to prevent errors in the evaluation. Failure to type or electronically enter the information may result in bid disqualification.

7. ALTERNATE MODEL OR BRAND: Unless the box below is checked, any model, brand, or specification listed in this Solicitation establishes the acceptable level of quality only and is not intended to reflect a preference for, or in any way favor, a particular brand or vendor. Vendors may bid alternates to a listed model or brand provided that the alternate is at least equal to the model or brand and complies with the required specifications. The equality of any alternate being bid shall be determined by the State at its sole discretion. Any Vendor bidding an alternate model or brand should clearly identify the alternate items in its bid and should include manufacturer's specifications, industry literature, and/or any other relevant documentation demonstrating the equality of the alternate items. Failure to provide information for alternate items may be grounds for rejection of a Vendor's bid.

8. EXCEPTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS: The Solicitation contains the specifications that shall form the basis of a contractual agreement. Vendor shall clearly mark any exceptions, clarifications, or other proposed modifications in its bid. Exceptions to, clarifications of, or modifications of a requirement or term and condition of the Solicitation may result in bid disqualification.

9. REGISTRATION: Prior to Contract award, the apparent successful Vendor must be properly registered with the West Virginia State University and must have paid the \$125 fee, if applicable.

10. UNIT PRICE: Unit prices shall prevail in cases of a discrepancy in the Vendor's bid.

11. PREFERENCE: Vendor Preference may be requested in purchases of motor vehicles or construction and maintenance equipment and machinery used in highway and other infrastructure projects. Any request for preference must be submitted in writing with the bid, must specifically identify the preference requested with reference to the applicable subsection of West Virginia Code § 5A-3-37, and must include with the bid any information necessary to evaluate and confirm the applicability of the requested preference. A request form to help facilitate the request can be found at: <u>http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/Venpref.pdf</u>.

11A. RECIPROCAL PREFERENCE: The State of West Virginia applies a reciprocal preference to all solicitations for commodities and printing in accordance with W. Va. Code § 5A-3-37(b). In effect, if reciprocal preference is requested by a West Virginia resident vendor, non-resident vendors receiving a preference in their home states, will see that same preference granted to West Virginia resident vendors bidding against them in West Virginia. Any request

12. SMALL, WOMEN-OWNED, OR MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESSES: For any solicitations publicly advertised for bid, in accordance with W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9, any non-resident vendor certified as a small, women-owned, or minority-owned business under W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9 shall be provided the same preference made available to any resident vendor. Any non-resident small, women-owned, or minority- owned business must identify itself as such in writing, must submit that writing to the West Virginia State University with its bid, and must be properly certified under W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9 prior to contract award to receive the preferences made available to resident vendors. Preference for a non-resident small, women-owned, or minority owned business shall be applied in accordance with W. Va. CSR § 148-22-9.

13. NON-RESPONSIBLE: The West Virginia State University Director of Purchasing reserves the right to reject the bid of any vendor as Non-Responsible in accordance with W. Va. Code of State Rules § 148- 1-5.3, when the Director determines that the vendor submitting the bid does not have the capability to fully perform, or lacks the integrity and reliability to assure good-faith performance."

14. ACCEPTANCE/REJECTION: The State may accept or reject any bid in whole, or in part in accordance with W. Va. Code of State Rules § 148-1-4.5. and § 148-1-6.4.b."

15. YOUR SUBMISSION IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: Vendor's entire response to the Solicitation and the resulting Contract are public documents. As public documents, they will be disclosed to the public following the bid/proposal opening or award of the contract, as required by the competitive bidding laws of West Virginia Code § seq., 5-22-1 et seq., 5G-1-1 et seq. and the Freedom of Information Act in West Virginia Code §§ 29B-1-1 et seq.

DO NOT SUBMIT MATERIAL YOU CONSIDER TO BE CONFIDENTIAL, A TRADE SECRET, OR OTHERWISE NOT SUBJECT TO PUBLIC DISCLOSURE.

Submission of any bid, proposal, or other document to the West Virginia State University constitutes your explicit consent to the subsequent public disclosure of the bid, proposal, or document. The West Virginia State University will disclose any document labeled "confidential," "proprietary," "trade secret," "private," or labeled with any other claim against public disclosure of the documents, to include any "trade secrets" as defined by West Virginia Code § 47-22-1 et seq. All submissions are subject to public disclosure without notice.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT: Issuance of an Award Document signed by the University and approved as to form by the Attorney General's office, if required, constitutes acceptance by the State of this Contract made by and between the State of West Virginia and the Vendor. Vendor's signature on its bid, or on the Contract if the Contract is not the result of a bid solicitation, signifies Vendor's agreement to be bound by and accept the terms and conditions contained in this Contract.

2. DEFINITIONS: As used in this Solicitation/Contract, the following terms shall have the meanings attributed to them below. Additional definitions may be found in the specifications included with this Solicitation/Contract.

2.1. "Agency" or "**Agencies**" means the agency, board, commission, or other entity of the State of West Virginia that is identified on the first page of the Solicitation or any other public entity seeking to procure goods or services under this Contract.

2.2. "Bid" or "Proposal" means the vendors submitted response to this solicitation.

2.3. "Contract" means the binding agreement that is entered into between the State and the Vendor to provide the goods or services requested in the Solicitation.

2.4. "Director" means the Director of the West Virginia Department of Administration, Purchasing Division.

2.5. "Purchasing Division" means the West Virginia Department of Administration, Purchasing Division.

2.6. "Award Document" means the document signed by the University that identifies the Vendor as the contract holder.

2.7. "Solicitation" means the official notice of an opportunity to supply the State with goods or services.

2.8. "State" means the State of West Virginia and/or any of its agencies, commissions, boards, etc. as context requires.

2.9. "Vendor" or "**Vendors**" means any entity submitting a bid in response to the Solicitation, the entity that has been selected as the lowest responsible bidder, or the entity that has been awarded the Contract as context requires.

3. CONTRACT TERM; RENEWAL; EXTENSION: The term of this Contract shall be determined in accordance with the category that has been identified as applicable to this Contract below:

Term Contract

 Initial Contract Term: This Contract becomes effective on

 Award
 and the initial contract term extends until one (1) year

Renewal Term: This Contract may be renewed upon the mutual written consent of the Agency, and the Vendor. Any request for renewal should be delivered to the University thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of the initial contract term or appropriate renewal term. A Contract renewal shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the original contract. Unless otherwise specified below, renewal of this Contract is limited to <u>seven (7)</u> successive one (1) year periods or multiple renewal periods of less than one year, provided that the multiple renewal periods do not exceed the total number of months available in all renewal years combined. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. **THE RENEWALS ARE FOR THE SERVICE (PER CLICK) CHARGES ONLY.**

☐ Alternate Renewal Term – This contract may be renewed for _________year periods or shorter periods provided that they do not exceed the total number of months contained in all available renewals. Automatic renewal of this Contract is prohibited. Renewals must be approved by the Vendor and Agency.

Delivery Order Limitations: In the event that this contract permits delivery orders, a delivery order may only be issued during the time this Contract is in effect. Any delivery order issued within one year of the expiration of this Contract shall be effective for one year from the date the delivery order is issued. No delivery order may be extended beyond one year after this Contract has expired.

Fixed Period Contract: This Contract becomes effective upon Vendor's receipt of thenotice to proceed and must be completed within _________ days.

Fixed Period Contract with Renewals: This Contract becomes effective upon Vendor's receipt of the notice to proceed and part of the Contract more fully described in the attached specifications must be completed within ______ days. Upon completion of the work covered by the preceding sentence, the vendor agrees that maintenance, monitoring, or warranty services will be provided for ______ year(s) thereafter.

One Time Purchase: The term of this Contract shall run from the issuance of the Award Document until all of the goods contracted for have been delivered, but in no event will this Contract extend for more than one fiscal year.

PRINTERS ARE A ONE-TIME PURCHASE IS FOR THE PRINTERS. SERVICE PERIOD AND THE REQUIREMENTS LISTED IN THE SPECIFICATIONS

Construction/Project Oversight: This Contract becomes effective on the effective start date listed on the first page of this Contract, identified as the State of West Virginia contract cover page containing the signatures of the University (or another page identified as

_____), and continues until the project for which the vendor is providing oversight is complete.

Other: See attached.

4. AUTHORITY TO PROCEED: Vendor is authorized to begin performance of this contract on the date of encumbrance listed on the front page of the Award Document unless either the box for "Fixed Period Contract" or "Fixed Period Contract with Renewals" has been checked in Section 3 above. If either "Fixed Period Contract" or "Fixed Period Contract with Renewals" has been checked, Vendor must not begin work until it receives a separate notice to proceed from the State. The notice to proceed will then be incorporated into the Contract via change order to memorialize the official date that work commenced.

5. QUANTITIES: The quantities required under this Contract shall be determined in accordance with the category that has been identified as applicable to this Contract below.

Open End Contract: Quantities listed in this Solicitation/Award Document are approximations only, based on estimates supplied by the Agency. It is understood and agreed that the Contract shall cover the quantities actually ordered for delivery during the term of the Contract, whether more or less than the quantities shown.

Service: The scope of the service to be provided will be more clearly defined in the specifications included herewith.

Combined Service and Goods: The scope of the service and deliverable goods to be provided will be more clearly defined in the specifications included herewith.

One Time Purchase: This Contract is for the purchase of a set quantity of goods that are identified in the specifications included herewith. Once those items have been delivered, no additional goods may be procured under this Contract without an appropriate change order approved by the Vendor, Agency, Purchasing Division, and Attorney General's office.

Construction: This Contract is for construction activity more fully defined in the specifications.

6. EMERGENCY PURCHASES: The West Virginia State University Director of Purchasing may authorize the University to purchase goods or services in the open market that Vendor would otherwise provide under this Contract if those goods or services are for immediate or expedited delivery in an emergency. Emergencies shall include, but are not limited to, delays in transportation or an unanticipated increase in the volume of work. An emergency purchase in the open market, approved by the West Virginia State University Director of Purchasing, shall not constitute of breach of this Contract and shall not entitle the Vendor to any form of compensation or damages. This provision does not excuse the State from fulfilling its obligations under a One Time Purchase contract.

7. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS: All of the items checked below must be provided to the University by the Vendor as specified below.

LICENSE(S) / CERTIFICATIONS / PERMITS: In addition to anything required under the Section of the General Terms and Conditions entitled Licensing, the apparent successful Vendor shall furnish proof of the following licenses, certifications, and/or permits upon request and in a form acceptable to the State. The request may be prior to or after contract award at the State's sole discretion.

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The apparent successful Vendor shall also furnish proof of any additional licenses or certifications contained in the specifications regardless of whether or not that requirement is listed above.

8. INSURANCE: The apparent successful Vendor shall furnish proof of the insurance identified by a checkmark below on each policy prior to Contract award. The insurance coverages identified below must be maintained throughout the life of this contract. Thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the insurance policies Vendor shall provide the University with proof that the insurance mandated herein has been continued. Vendor must also provide University with immediate notice of any changes in its insurance policies, including but not limited to, policy cancelation, policy reduction, or change in insurers. The apparent successful Vendor shall also furnish proof of any additional insurance requirements contained in the specifications prior to Contract award regardless of whether or not that insurance requirement is listed in this section.

for reciprocal preference must include with the bid any information necessary to evaluate and confirm the applicability of the preference. A request form to help facilitate the request can be found at: <u>http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/Venpref.pdf</u>.

Vendor must maintain:

Commercial General Liability Insurance in at least an ar <u>\$1,000,000.00</u> per occurrence.	nount of:
Automobile Liability Insurance in at least an amount of: occurrence.	<u>\$500.000.00</u> per
Professional/Malpractice/Errors and Omission Insuran per occurrence. Notwithstandin required to list the State as an additional insured for this type of	g the forgoing, Vendor's are not
Commercial Crime and Third Party Fidelity Insurance per occurrence.	in an amount of:
Cyber Liability Insurance in an amount of:	per occurrence.
Builders Risk Insurance in an amount equal to 100% of the	he amount of the Contract.
Pollution Insurance in an amount of:	per occurrence.
Aircraft Liability in an amount of:p	er occurrence.

9. WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE: Vendor shall comply with laws relating to worker's compensation, shall maintain workers' compensation insurance when required, and shall furnish proof of workers' compensation insurance upon request.

10. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: This clause shall in no way be considered exclusive and shall not limit the State or Agency's right to pursue any other available remedy. Vendor shall pay liquidated damages in the amount specified below or as described in the specifications:

_____for _____

Liquidated Damages Contained in the Specifications.

Liquidated Damages Are Not Included in this Contract.

11. ACCEPTANCE: Vendor's signature on its bid, or on the certification and signature page, constitutes an offer to the State that cannot be unilaterally withdrawn, signifies that the product or service proposed by vendor meets the mandatory requirements contained in the Solicitation for that product or service, unless otherwise indicated, and signifies acceptance of the terms and conditions contained in the Solicitation unless otherwise indicated.

12. PRICING: The pricing set forth herein is firm for the life of the Contract, unless specified elsewhere within this Solicitation/Contract by the State. A Vendor's inclusion of price adjustment provisions in its bid, without an express authorization from the State in the Solicitation to do so, may result in bid disqualification. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Vendor must extend any publicly advertised sale price to the State and invoice at the lower of the contract price or the publicly advertised sale price.

13. PAYMENT IN ARREARS: Payments for goods/services will be made in arrears only upon receipt of a proper invoice, detailing the goods/services provided or receipt of the goods/services, whichever is later. Notwithstanding the foregoing, payments for software licenses, subscriptions, or maintenance may be paid annually in advance.

14. PAYMENT METHODS: Vendor must accept payment by electronic funds transfer or P-Card. (The State of West Virginia's Purchasing Card program, administered under contract by a banking institution, processes payment for goods and services through state designated credit cards.)

15. ADDITIONAL FEES: Vendor is not permitted to charge additional fees or assess additional charges that were not either expressly provided for in the solicitation published by the State of West Virginia, included in the Contract, or included in the unit price or lump sum bid amount that Vendor is required by the solicitation to provide. Including such fees or charges as notes to the solicitation may result in rejection of vendor's bid. Requesting such fees or charges be paid after the contract has been awarded may result in cancellation of the contract.

16. TAXES: The Vendor shall pay any applicable sales, use, personal property or any other taxes arising out of this Contract and the transactions contemplated thereby. The State of West Virginia is exempt from federal and state taxes and will not pay or reimburse such taxes.

17. FUNDING: This Contract shall continue for the term stated herein, contingent upon funds being appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise being made available. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available, this Contract becomes void and of no effect beginning on July 1 of the fiscal year for which funding has not been appropriated or otherwise made available. If that occurs, the State may notify the Vendor that an alternative source of funding has been obtained and thereby avoid the automatic termination. Non-appropriation or non-funding shall not be considered an event of default.

18. CANCELLATION: The State reserves the right to cancel this Contract immediately upon written notice to the vendor if the materials or workmanship supplied do not conform to the specifications contained in the Contract. The University may also cancel any purchase or Contract upon 30 days written notice to the Vendor in accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules§ 148-1-5.2.b.

19. TIME: Time is of the essence with regard to all matters of time and performance in this Contract.

20. APPLICABLE LAW: This Contract is governed by and interpreted under West Virginia law without giving effect to its choice of law principles. Any information provided in specification manuals, or any other source, verbal or written, which contradicts or violates the West Virginia Constitution, West Virginia Code or West Virginia Code of State Rules is void and of no effect.

20A. VENUE: All legal actions for damages brought by Vendor against the State shall be brought in the West Virginia Claims Commission. Other causes of action must be brought in the West Virginia court authorized by statute to exercise jurisdiction over it.

21. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS: Vendor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and ordinances. By submitting a bid, Vendor acknowledges that it has reviewed, understands, and will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances. Vendor shall notify all subcontractors providing commodities or services related to this Contract that as subcontractors, they too are required to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances.

22. ARBITRATION: Any references made to arbitration contained in this Contract, Vendor's bid, or in any American Institute of Architects documents pertaining to this Contract are hereby deleted, void, and of no effect.

23. MODIFICATIONS: This writing is the parties' final expression of intent. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Contract to the contrary, no modification of this Contract shall be binding without mutual written consent of the Agency, and the Vendor.

24. WAIVER: The failure of either party to insist upon a strict performance of any of the terms or provision of this Contract, or to exercise any option, right, or remedy herein contained, shall not be construed as a waiver or a relinquishment for the future of such term, provision, option, right, or remedy, but the same shall continue in full force and effect. Any waiver must be expressly stated in writing and signed by the waiving party.

25. SUBSEQUENT FORMS: The terms and conditions contained in this Contract shall supersede any and all subsequent terms and conditions which may appear on any form documents submitted by Vendor to West Virginia State University such as price lists, order forms, invoices, sales agreements, or maintenance agreements, and includes internet websites or other electronic documents. Acceptance or use of Vendor's forms does not constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions contained thereon.

26. ASSIGNMENT: Neither this Contract nor any monies due, or to become due hereunder, may be assigned by the Vendor without the express written consent of the University and any other government University or office that may be required to approve such assignments.

27. WARRANTY: The Vendor expressly warrants that the goods and/or services covered by this Contract will: (a) conform to the specifications, drawings, samples, or other description furnished or specified by the Agency; (b) be merchantable and fit for the purpose intended; and (c) be free from defect in material and workmanship.

28. STATE EMPLOYEES: State employees are not permitted to utilize this Contract for personal use and the Vendor is prohibited from permitting or facilitating the same.

29. PRIVACY, SECURITY, AND CONFIDENTIALITY: The Vendor agrees that it will not disclose to anyone, directly or indirectly, any such personally identifiable information or other confidential information gained from the Agency, unless the individual who is the subject of the information consents to the disclosure in writing or the disclosure is made pursuant to the Agency's policies, procedures, and rules. Vendor further agrees to comply with the Confidentiality Policies and Information Security Accountability Requirements, set forth in_www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/privacy.

30. YOUR SUBMISSION IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: Vendor's entire response to the Solicitation and the resulting Contract are public documents. As public documents, they will be disclosed to the public following the bid/proposal opening or award of the contract, as required by the competitive bidding laws of West Virginia Code §§ seq., 5-22-1 et seq., and 5G-1-1 et seq. and the Freedom of Information Act West Virginia Code §§ 29B-1-1 et seq.

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31. LICENSING: In accordance with West Virginia Code of State Rules § 148-1-6.1.e, Vendor must be licensed and in good standing in accordance with any and all state and local laws and requirements by any state or local University of West Virginia, including, but not limited to, the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office, the West Virginia Tax Department, West Virginia Insurance Commission, or any other state University or political subdivision. Obligations related to political subdivisions may include, but are not limited to, business licensing, business and occupation taxes, inspection compliance, permitting, etc. Upon request, the Vendor must provide all necessary releases to obtain information to enable the West Virginia State University Director of Purchasing to verify that the Vendor is licensed and in good standing with the above entities. Vendor shall notify all subcontractors providing commodities or services related to this Contract that as subcontractors, they too are required to be licensed, in good standing, and up-to-date on all state and local obligations as described in this section.

32. ANTITRUST: In submitting a bid to, signing a contract with, or accepting an Award Document from any University of the State of West Virginia, the Vendor agrees to convey, sell, assign, or transfer to the State of West Virginia all rights, title, and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the State of West Virginia for price fixing and/or unreasonable restraints of trade relating to the particular commodities or services purchased or acquired by the State of West Virginia. Such assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the purchasing University tenders the initial payment to Vendor.

33. VENDOR NON-CONFLICT: Neither Vendor nor its representatives are permitted to have any interest, nor shall they acquire any interest, direct or indirect, which would compromise the performance of its services hereunder. Any such interests shall be promptly presented in detail to the Agency.

34. VENDOR RELATIONSHIP: The relationship of the Vendor to the State shall be that of an independent contractor and no principal-agent relationship or employer-employee relationship is contemplated or created by this Contract. The Vendor as an independent contractor is solely liable for the acts and omissions of its employees and agents. Vendor shall be responsible for selecting, supervising, and compensating any and all individuals employed pursuant to the terms of this Solicitation and resulting contract. Neither the Vendor, nor any employees or subcontractors of the Vendor, shall be deemed to be employees of the State for any purpose whatsoever. Vendor shall be exclusively responsible for payment of employees and contractors for all wages and salaries, taxes, withholding payments, penalties, fees, fringe benefits, professional liability insurance premiums, contributions to insurance and pension, or other deferred compensation plans, including but not limited to, Workers' Compensation and Social Security obligations, licensing fees, etc. and the filing of all necessary documents, forms, and returns pertinent to all of the foregoing. Vendor shall hold harmless the State, and shall provide the State and University with a defense against any and all claims including, but not limited to, the foregoing payments, withholdings, contributions, taxes, Social Security taxes, and employer income tax returns.

35. INDEMNIFICATION: The Vendor agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State and the Agency, their officers, and employees from and against: (1) Any claims or losses for services rendered by any subcontractor, person, or firm performing or supplying services, materials, or supplies in connection with the performance of the Contract; (2) Any claims or losses resulting to an y person or entity injured or damaged by the Vendor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors by the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, performance, use, or disposition of any data used under the Contract in a manner not authorized by the Contract, or by Federal or State statutes or regulations; and (3) Any failure of the Vendor, its officers, employees, or subcontractors to observe State and Federal laws including, but not limited to, labor and wage and hour laws.

36. NO DEBT CERTIFICATION: In accordance with West Virginia Code §§ 5A-3-10a and 5-22-1(i), the State is prohibited from awarding a contract to any bidder that owes a debt to the State or a political subdivision of the State. By submitting a bid, or entering into a contract with the State, Vendor is affirming that (1) for construction contracts, the vendor is not in default on any monetary obligation owed to the state or a political subdivision of the state, and (2) for all other contracts, that neither vendor nor any related party owe a debt as defined above and that neither Vendor nor any related party are in employer default as defined in the statute cited above unless the debt or employer default is permitted under the statute.

37. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Vendor, its officers or members or employees, shall not presently have or acquire an interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict with or compromise the performance of its obligations hereunder. Vendor shall periodically inquire of its officers, members and employees to ensure that a conflict of interest does not arise. Any conflict of interest discovered shall be promptly presented in detail to the Agency.

38. REPORTS: Vendor shall provide West Virginia State University with the following reports identified by a checked box below:

Such reports as West Virginia State University may request. Requested reports may include, but are not limited to, quantities purchased, agencies utilizing the contract, total contract expenditures by agency, etc.

39. BACKGROUND CHECK: In accordance with W. Va. Code § 15-2D-3, the State reserves the right to prohibit a service provider's employees from accessing sensitive or critical information or to be present at the Capitol complex based upon results addressed from a criminal background check. Service providers should contact the West Virginia Division of Protective Services by phone at (304) 558-9911 for more information.

40. PREFERENCE FOR USE OF DOMESTIC ALUMINUM, GLASS, AND STEEL: In Accordance with W. Va. Code § 5-19-1 et seq., and W. Va. CSR § 148-10-1 et seq., for every contract or subcontract, subject to the limitations contained herein, for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, improvement or maintenance of public works or for the purchase of any item of machinery or equipment to be used at sites of public works, only domestic aluminum, glass or steel products shall be supplied unless the spending officer determines, in writing, after the receipt of offers or bids, (1) that the cost of domestic aluminum, glass or steel products is unreasonable or inconsistent with the public interest of the State of West Virginia, (2) that domestic aluminum, glass or steel products are not produced in sufficient quantities to meet the contract requirements, or (3) the available domestic aluminum, glass, or steel do not meet the contract specifications. This provision only applies to public works contracts that require more than ten thousand pounds of steel products.

The cost of domestic aluminum, glass, or steel products may be unreasonable if the cost is more than twenty percent (20%) of the bid or offered price for foreign made aluminum, glass, or steel products. If the domestic aluminum, glass or steel products to be supplied or produced in a "substantial labor surplus area", as defined by the United States Department of Labor, the cost of domestic aluminum, glass, or steel products may be unreasonable if the cost is more than thirty percent (30%) of the bid or offered price for foreign made aluminum, glass, or steel products. This preference shall be applied to an item of machinery or equipment, as indicated above, when the item is a single unit of equipment or machinery manufactured primarily of aluminum, glass or steel, is part of a public works contract and has the sole purpose or of being a permanent part of a single public works project. This provision does not apply to equipment or machinery purchased by a spending unit for use by that spending unit and not as part of a single public works project.

All bids and offers including domestic aluminum, glass or steel products that exceed bid or offer prices including foreign aluminum, glass or steel products after application of the preferences provided in this provision may be reduced to a price equal to or lower than the lowest bid or offer price for foreign aluminum, glass or steel products plus the applicable preference. If the reduced bid or offer prices are made in writing and supersede the prior bid or offer prices, all bids or offers, including the reduced bid or offer prices, will be reevaluated in accordance with this rule.

41. PROHIBITION AGAINST USED OR REFURBISHED: Unless expressly permitted in the solicitation published by the State, Vendor must provide new, unused commodities, and is prohibited from supplying used or refurbished commodities, in fulfilling its responsibilities under this Contract.

42. VOID CONTRACT CLAUSES – This Contract is subject to the provisions of West Virginia Code § 5A-3-62, which automatically voids certain contract clauses that violate State law.

DESIGNATED CONTACT: Vendor appoints the individual identified in this Section as the Contract Administrator and the initial point of contact for matters relating to this Contract.

(Printed Name and Title)

(Address)

(Phone Number) / (Fax Number)

(E-mail address)

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE: By signing below, I certify that I have reviewed this Solicitation in its entirety; that I understand the requirements, terms and conditions, and other information contained herein; that this bid, offer or proposal constitutes an offer to the State that cannot be unilaterally withdrawn; that the product or service proposed meets the mandatory requirements contained in the Solicitation for that product or service, unless otherwise stated herein; that the Vendor accepts the terms and conditions contained in the Solicitation, unless otherwise stated herein; that I am submitting this bid, offer or proposal for review and consideration; ; that this bid or offer was made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any entity submitting a bid or offer for the same material, supplies, equipment or services; that this bid or offer is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that this Contract is accepted or entered into without any prior understanding, agreement, or connection to any other entity that could be considered a violation of law; that I am authorized by the Vendor to execute and submit this bid, offer, or proposal, or any documents related thereto on Vendor's behalf; that I am authorized to bind the vendor in a contractual relationship; and that to the best of my knowledge, the Vendor has properly registered with any State University that may require registration.

(Company)

(Signature of Authorized Representative)

(Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative)

(Date)

(Phone Number) (Fax Number)

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION West Virginia State University Digital High Production Color and Monochrome Printers

SPECIFICATIONS

PURPOSE AND SCOPE: West Virginia State University is soliciting bids to establish a contract for the one-time purchase of high production printers inclusive of maintenance and consumables, for the university's Printing Services Department.

DEFINITIONS: The following terms shall have the meanings assigned to them below.

"Accessory" means any compatible item that is added to the printer to enhance its capabilities and functions. Must integrate with the high production printer and not be a stand-alone unit.

"**Contract Item**" means the list of items identified and fully described in Section 3.1 below and on the Pricing pages.

"High Production Printer" means a Multi-Function Printer (MFP) or Multi-function Device (MFD) configured to incorporate the functionality of multiple devices into one, such as print, scan and copy.

"gsm" means grams per square meter

"ppm" means pages per minute

"Solicitation" means the official notice of an opportunity to supply needed goods or services

"WVSU" means West Virginia State University

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

Mandatory Contract Item Requirements: Contract Item must meet or exceed the mandatory requirements listed below.

Contract Item #1: Quantity one - Konica Minolta AccurioPress C7090 or Equal. Vendor must provide a product with the following minimum specifications:

- 1. Capable of printing, in color and monochrome
- 2. Minimum device speed for Letter/A4: rated at 90 ppm
- 3. Auto duplexing

- 4. Vacuum Paper Feed unit that includes: a 3,700 sheet drawer capacity, Media weight: 52-450 gsm, Media size: Minimum 8.27"x8.27" / Maximum "19.2 x 35.4".
- 5. Ability to print on media weight up to 450 gsm.
- 6. Finishing capabilities: Large capacity stacker w/cart; inline closed loop quality management unit; 4 edge trimming unit; business card tray; upward & downward creasing units; feed direction & cross direction perforation; intelligent media sensor
- 7. Electronic sorting or finisher/sorter
- 8. Envelope fuser
- 9. Network printing
- 10. Manufacturer monthly volume 1,620,000
- 11. EFI Fiery External Server Intel[®] Core TM i7-6700 (3.4 GHz up to 4.0 GHz with Turbo): RAM 16 GB (2 x 8 GB); HDD 1 TB SATA: PDL, Adobe Postscript 3 (3020). APPE 5.0, PDF 1.7, Enhanced PCL 5/6

Contract Item #2: Quantity of one (I) - Konica Minolta AccurioPress 7136 or Equal. Vendor

must provide a product with the following minimum specifications:

- 1. Capable of print, copy and scan functions in monochrome
- 2. Minimum device speed for Letter/A4: 136 ppm black/white
- 3. Auto document feeder with capacity at least 300 originals
- 4. Auto duplexing
- 5. Vacuum Paper Feed unit: 5,000 sheet capacity. Media weight; 40-350 gsm. Media size; Minimum 3.74x5.47" / Maximum 12.76" x 19.02".
- 6. Ability to print on media weight up to 350gsm
- 7. Finishing capabilities: large capacity stacker with cart
- 8. Electronic sorting or finisher/sorter
- 9. Network printing and scanning
- 10. Manufacturer monthly volume; 2,500,000
- 11. EFI Fiery Print Server: Intel[®] Pentium[®] 4400 processor, 3.3 GHz; RAM std 8 GB; HDD 500 GB; PDL Adobe[®] Postscript[®] Levels 1.2,3; Adobe[®] PDF, PDF/X-1a. 3, and 4; Encapsulated Postscript (EPS); Microsoft[®] Office documents: docx. xlsx, pptx, pub (via Hot Folders)

ADDITIONAL CONTRACT ITEM REQUIREMENTS:

Copier Requirements: All copier provided under this contract must be:

- 1. Digital equipment. Analog models will not be accepted.
- 2. Toner based; no inkjet toner is permitted.
- 3. Capable of reproducing general office correspondence, reports and bound documents.
- 4. Capable of reproducing quality copies from any of the following types of original documents while operating in an automated exposure mode: laser printed originals, multi-generation copies of copies, faxed documents, standard black graphite #2 pencils, red pen and pencil, blue ball point pen, NCR forms (blue or black print on white or

colored paper stocks), photographs (color or black/white), solid lines and grids, solids and graduated gray-scale tones.

- 5. Capable of automatically selecting the proper paper size in respect to the original being copied.
- 6. Able to be set for reduction and enlargement in 1 % increments.
- 7. Currently in production and available for sale at that time of submitted quote.
- 8. Energy star compliant and be installed with energy saving features enabled.
- 9. Capable of copying and printing on plain bond paper in sizes "8 ½"x II", "8 ½ x 14" and 11"x 17".
- 10. Compatible with using recycled paper, up to and including: 100% Post-Consumer Waste (PCW) paper. Vendor may not fault the use of recycle paper for copier failures, as long as the recycled paper used meets the standard paper specifications (e.g. multi-purpose, copy or laser paper).
- 11. Successful vendor must work with WVSU IT Department to install print drivers and network settings. Due to the various solutions available from different providers, the winning vendor will be required to work with the WVSU IT Department to implement copier networking, associated software, and upgrades throughout the contract term. WVSU IT Department will work with the vendor to provide access or to provide necessary assistance.

Service and Maintenance:

- 1. <u>Full-Service Requirement</u>: Vendor must have the ability to provide on-site service and maintenance for all Contract Items. Vendor must provide a copy of the maintenance agreement for approval prior to award of this Contract. Vendor must provide an 800 or local telephone number for service support prior to Contract award.
- 2. <u>Maintenance</u>: A preventative maintenance schedule shall be provided as needed on all Contract Items as specified by the manufacturer. This included, but is not limited to, routine, cleaning, lubrication, replacement of unserviceable parts and all necessary adjustments to ensure successful performance of the equipment.
- 3. <u>Per Click Charge:</u> Vendor shall provide a per click charge for all Contract Item Copiers to include all parts, supplies and consumables (excluding paper). Service and maintenance costs include the cost of all inspections, lubrications, cleaning, adjustments, parts, repairs, travel expenses and supplies (excluding paper) that are necessary to maintain satisfactory performance of the equipment. All Per Click Charges are to be invoiced quarterly.
 - a. 11 "x 17" impressions shall be counted as one (1) click.
 - b. A two-sided document may be counted as two (2) clicks. There shall be no charge for service impressions.
 - c. There may not be more than one cost per impression for color impressions, regardless of the number of colors (i.e. higher charge for 4 colors vs. 3 colors).
- 4. <u>Connectivity Service Support</u>: Vendor must provide service support to coordinate installation of Contract Items with WVSU personnel.
- 5. <u>Certification Requirement:</u> Service representatives must be full time employees of the Vendor or of a subcontracted party designated by the Vendor in writing. All service

representatives must be factory trained technicians. WVSU reserves the right to request proof of certification at any time.

- 6. <u>Replacement Units</u>: Vendor shall provide a temporary replacement copier, at no charge, if the WVSU copier is estimated to be down for sixteen (16) consecutive working hours or longer for repair. Temporary replacement copier shall be of comparable size and functionality as the copier being replaced. WVSU will not pay any charges associated with the temporary replacement unit; but shall pay the charges that it would have incurred if its copier had not been temporarily replaced.
- <u>Requirement:</u> Vendor must respond to all requests for services within sixty (60) <u>Response</u> minutes by phone call of WVSU request and be on site to complete the repair within four (4) working hours of the request throughout the term of this Contract. Repetitive complaints concerning the failure to meet this requirement may be cause for cancellation of the Contract. Service must be provided during normal working hours (8:00 AM to 4:30 PM EST), Monday through Friday, except for State holidays.
- 8. <u>Service Term Requirement:</u> Vendor must agree to service the equipment for a service period not to exceed eight (8) years per the Term and Conditions.

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EXHIBIT A-PRICING PAGE

Digital High Production Color and Monochrome Printers

Item	Item Description	UNIT	Quanitity	Unit Price	Extended Price
1	Konica Minolta AccurioPress C7090 or Equal	EA	1		
2	Konica Minolta AccurioPress C7090 or Equal-Color Click Charges	Per Click	1		
2	Konica Minolta AccurioPress C7090 or Equal-Monochrome Click Charges	Per Click	1		
3	Konica Minolta AccurioPress 7136 or Equal	EA	1		
4	Konica Minolta AccurioPress 7136 or Equal-Monochrome Click Charges	Per Click	1		

NOTE: THE VENDOR SHOULD PROVIDE COMPLETE EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATION IF BIDDING AN "OR EQUAL" ITEM

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA ADDENDUM TO VENDOR'S STANDARD CONTRACTUAL FORMS

State Agency, Board, or Commission (the "State"):

Vendor:

Contract/Lease Number ("Contract"):

Commodity/Service:

The State and the Vendor are entering into the Contract identified above. The Vendor desires to incorporate one or more forms it created into the Contract. Vendor's form(s), however, include(s) one or more contractual terms and conditions that the State cannot or will not accept. In consideration for the State's incorporating Vendor's form(s) into the Contract, the Vendor enters into this Addendum which specifically eliminates or alters the legal enforceability of certain terms and conditions contained in Vendor's form(s). Therefore, on the date shown below each signature line, the parties agree to the following contractual terms and conditions in this Addendum are dominate over any competing terms made a part of the Contract:

- 1. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE: This Addendum modifies and supersedes anything contained on Vendor's form(s) whether or not they are submitted before or after the signing of this Addendum. IN THE EVENT OF ANY CONFLICT BETWEEN VENDOR'S FORM(S) AND THIS ADDENDUM, THIS ADDENDUM SHALL CONTROL.
- 2. **PAYMENT** Payments for goods/services will be made in arrears only upon receipt of a proper invoice, detailing the goods/services provided or receipt of the goods/services, whichever is later. Notwithstanding the foregoing, payments for software licenses, subscriptions, or maintenance may be paid annually in advance.

Any language imposing any interest or charges due to late payment is deleted.

- 3. FISCAL YEAR FUNDING Performance of this Contract is contingent upon funds being appropriated by the WV Legislature or otherwise being available for this Contract. In the event funds are not appropriated or otherwise available, the Contract becomes of no effect and is null and void after June 30 of the current fiscal year. If that occurs, the State may notify the Vendor that an alternative source of funding has been obtained and thereby avoid the automatic termination. Non-appropriation or non-funding shall not be considered an event of default.
- 4. RIGHT TO TERMINATE The State reserves the right to terminate this Contract upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Vendor. If this right is exercised, the State agrees to pay the Vendor only for all undisputed services rendered or goods received before the termination's effective date. All provisions are deleted that seek to require the State to (1) compensate Vendor, in whole or in part, for lost profit, (2) pay a termination fee, or (3) pay liquidated damages if the Contract is terminated early.

Any language seeking to accelerate payments in the event of Contract termination, default, or non-funding is hereby deleted.

5. **DISPUTES** – Any language binding the State to any arbitration or to the decision of any arbitration board, commission, panel or other entity is deleted; as is any requirement to waive a jury trial.

Any language requiring or permitting disputes under this Contract to be resolved in the courts of any state other than the State of West Virginia is deleted. All legal actions for damages brought by Vendor against the State shall be brought in the West Virginia Claims Commission. Other causes of action must be brought in the West Virginia court authorized by statute to exercise jurisdiction over it.

Any language requiring the State to agree to, or be subject to, any form of equitable relief not authorized by the Constitution or laws of State of West Virginia is deleted.

- 6. FEES OR COSTS: Any language obligating the State to pay costs of collection, court costs, or attorney's fees, unless ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction is deleted.
- 7. GOVERNING LAW Any language requiring the application of the law of any state other than the State of West Virginia in interpreting or enforcing the Contract is deleted. The Contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of West Virginia.
- 8. **RISK SHIFTING** Any provision requiring the State to bear the costs of all or a majority of business/legal risks associated with this Contract, to indemnify the Vendor, or hold the Vendor or a third party harmless for any act or omission is hereby deleted.
- 9. LIMITING LIABILITY Any language limiting the Vendor's liability for direct damages to person or property is deleted.
- 10. TAXES Any provisions requiring the State to pay Federal, State or local taxes or file tax returns or reports on behalf of Vendor are deleted. The State will, upon request, provide a tax exempt certificate to confirm its tax exempt status.
- 11. NO WAIVER Any provision requiring the State to waive any rights, claims or defenses is hereby deleted.

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- 12. STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS Any clauses limiting the time in which the State may bring suit against the Vendor or any other third party are deleted.
- 13. ASSIGNMENT The Vendor agrees not to assign the Contract to any person or entity without the State's prior written consent, which will not be unreasonably delayed or denied. The State reserves the right to assign this Contract to another State agency, board or commission upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Vendor. These restrictions do not apply to the payments made by the State. Any assignment will not become effective and binding upon the State until the State is notified of the assignment, and the State and Vendor execute a change order to the Contract.
- 14. **RENEWAL** Any language that seeks to automatically renew, modify, or extend the Contract beyond the initial term or automatically continue the Contract period from term to term is deleted. The Contract may be renewed or continued only upon mutual written agreement of the Parties.
- 15. INSURANCE Any provision requiring the State to maintain any type of insurance for either its or the Vendor's benefit is deleted.
- 16. **RIGHT TO REPOSSESSION NOTICE** Any provision for repossession of equipment without notice is hereby deleted. However, the State does recognize a right of repossession with notice.
- 17. **DELIVERY** All deliveries under the Contract will be FOB destination unless the State expressly and knowingly agrees otherwise. Any contrary delivery terms are hereby deleted.
- 18. CONFIDENTIALITY Any provisions regarding confidential treatment or non-disclosure of the terms and conditions of the Contract are hereby deleted. State contracts are public records under the West Virginia Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") (W. Va. Code §29B-a-1, et seq.) and public procurement laws. This Contract and other public records may be disclosed without notice to the vendor at the State's sole discretion.

Any provisions regarding confidentiality or non-disclosure related to contract performance are only effective to the extent they are consistent with FOIA and incorporated into the Contract through a separately approved and signed non-disclosure agreement.

- 19. **THIRD-PARTY SOFTWARE** If this Contract contemplates or requires the use of third-party software, the vendor represents that none of the mandatory click-through, unsigned, or web-linked terms and conditions presented or required before using such third-party software conflict with any term of this Addendum or that is has the authority to modify such third-party software's terms and conditions to be subordinate to this Addendum. The Vendor shall indemnify and defend the State against all claims resulting from an assertion that such third-party terms and conditions are not in accord with, or subordinate to, this Addendum.
- 20. AMENDMENTS The parties agree that all amendments, modifications, alterations or changes to the Contract shall be by mutual agreement, in writing, and signed by both parties. Any language to the contrary is deleted.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Addendum can only be amended by (1) identifying the alterations to this form by using *Italics* to identify language being added and strikethrough for language being deleted (do not use track-changes) and (2) having the Office of the West Virginia Attorney General's authorized representative expressly agree to and knowingly approve those alterations.

State:	Vendor:
Ву:	By:
Printed Name:	Printed Name:
Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:

RFQ No. _____

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA Purchasing Division PURCHASING AFFIDAVIT

MANDATE: Under W. Va. Code §5A-3-10a, no contract or renewal of any contract may be awarded by the state or any of its political subdivisions to any vendor or prospective vendor when the vendor or prospective vendor or a related party to the vendor or prospective vendor is a debtor and: (1) the debt owed is an amount greater than one thousand dollars in the aggregate; or (2) the debtor is in employer default.

EXCEPTION: The prohibition listed above does not apply where a vendor has contested any tax administered pursuant to chapter eleven of the W. Va. Code, workers' compensation premium, permit fee or environmental fee or assessment and the matter has not become final or where the vendor has entered into a payment plan or agreement and the vendor is not in default of any of the provisions of such plan or agreement.

DEFINITIONS:

"**Debt**" means any assessment, premium, penalty, fine, tax or other amount of money owed to the state or any of its political subdivisions because of a judgment, fine, permit violation, license assessment, defaulted workers' compensation premium, penalty or other assessment presently delinquent or due and required to be paid to the state or any of its political subdivisions, including any interest or additional penalties accrued thereon.

"**Employer default**" means having an outstanding balance or liability to the old fund or to the uninsured employers' fund or being in policy default, as defined in W. Va. Code § 23-2c-2, failure to maintain mandatory workers' compensation coverage, or failure to fully meet its obligations as a workers' compensation self-insured employer. An employer is not in employer default if it has entered into a repayment agreement with the Insurance Commissioner and remains in compliance with the obligations under the repayment agreement.

"Related party" means a party, whether an individual, corporation, partnership, association, limited liability company or any other form or business association or other entity whatsoever, related to any vendor by blood, marriage, ownership or contract through which the party has a relationship of ownership or other interest with the vendor so that the party will actually or by effect receive or control a portion of the benefit, profit or other consideration from performance of a vendor contract with the party receiving an amount that meets or exceed five percent of the total contract amount.

AFFIRMATION: By signing this form, the vendor's authorized signer affirms and acknowledges under penalty of law for false swearing (*W. Va. Code* §61-5-3) that neither vendor nor any related party owe a debt as defined above and that neither vendor nor any related party are in employer default as defined above, unless the debt or employer default is permitted under the exception above.

WITNESS THE FOLLOWING SIGNATURE:

Vendor's Name:			
Authorized Signature:		Date:	
State of			
County of, to-wit:			
Taken, subscribed, and sworn to before me this day	of		. 20
My Commission expires	, 20		
AFFIX SEAL HERE	NOTARY PUBLIC		

Purchasing Affidavit (Revised 07/01/2012)